GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA

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FOREIGN FUNDS FOR AFFORESTATION
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether several international agencies provide funds through the Ministry to the State Governments and NGOs for planting more trees or bringing more areas under forest cover;

(b) if so, year-wise/agency-wise details of funds provided to Government as well as private agencies in Rajasthan during Tenth Five Year Plan period;

(c) whether the utility and outcome of said funds provided for afforestation have got reviewed from time to time; and

(d) if so, the details thereof in respect of Rajasthan?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS(SHRI S. REGUPATHY)

(a)& (b) Yes, Sir.The Japan Bank for International Cooperation is providing funds through the Ministry of Environment and Forests, Government of India to the State of Rajasthan for "Rajasthan Forestry and Bio-diversity Project" which inter-alia aims at Afforestation activities in the State.The year-wise details of funds provided are annexed .

(c)&(d) The review (performance Audit) of the above Project is on by the Principal Accountant General (Civil Audit), Jaipur.

ANNEXURE

Annexure referred to in answer to part (a) to (b) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 3498 on "Foreign Funds for Afforestation" by Shri Kailash Meghwal

Year-wise details of reimbursement provided by Japan Bank for International Cooperation

Sl.No.	Year	Funds (in Rs.Lacs)
1.	2003-04	2066.31
2.	2004-05	6745.22
3.	2005-06	7377.14
4.	2006-07	8064.78
	Total	24253.45